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Dear County Council,

Please reconsider the vaccine passport for Montgomery County. I have lived in this county for over 50 years. Although fully vaccinated, I am against this proposal. My husband owns a small business in the county and the extra cost he will incur to verify everyone's status will be a challenge. His current lease is up this year and he is looking at relocating to other counties in Maryland.

I would be extremely disappointed to live in a county that actively discriminates against anyone's medical freedom to choose. I don't want Montgomery County to be labeled a dystopic county but it is already happening. My family and I will go to nearby counties to eat, drink, socialize and attend the movie theater just as we did early in the pandemic when all the establishments were closed in this county. Virginia is 15 minutes away from where I live. My 85 year old mother has a medical exemption and I can promise you we will not force her to take a COVID test to go out to dinner.

I hope that you will weigh all the negative effects of this proposal including having those of us who are near retirement age looking for other places to live. I have many friends that are residing in Delaware and Florida without any restrictions, not to mention friendlier tax rates.

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